NALSA (Child-Friendly Legal Services for Children) Scheme, 2024



Every Child Deserves Justice, Not Just the Promise of It.

Your Right ♥ Your Voice ♥ Our Support

WHY THIS SCHEME ?

Children often face difficult situations but may not know their rights or how to seek help.

This scheme ensures that every child receives free, safe, and child-friendly legal support, promoting equality and equal opportunities for all. It creates a child-sensitive environment within the justice system and supports India's vision of an inclusive society where no child is left behind.

Legal Aid isn't a Privilege - For Children, It's a Right

WHO CAN GET HELP?
(Any child below 18 years of age)

- *Children in conflict with law*
- *Children in need of care & protection*
- *Victims of abuse, trafficking, psychological violence*
- *Victims of child labour, child marriage*
- *Children Seeking Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP)*
- *Children Involved in Court Cases (Civil/ Criminal/Administrative)*
- *Children with disabilities*
- *Missing, abandoned, or orphaned children*

WHAT HELP CAN BE PROVIDED?

- *Free legal aid through trained panel lawyers, Legal Aid Defense Counsels (LADCs) and Para Legal volunteers (PLVs)*
- *Child-centric, gender-responsive, disability-supportive, and trauma-informed support*
- *Assistance at every stage from investigation till trial/inquiry*
- *Help in securing compensation to POCSO victims*
- *Support for rescue, rehabilitation, and protection*
- *Assistance in adoption, custody, and family matters*
- *Help in accessing government schemes and benefits*

WHERE CAN A CHILD SEEK HELP?

- *District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs)*
- *Taluk Legal Services Committees (TLSCs)*
- *Front Offices, Legal Aid Clinics*
- *Police Stations, Children's Courts*
- *Juvenile Justice Boards (JJBs)*
- *Child Welfare Committees (CWCs)*
- *Prisons, District Child Protection Units (DCPUs), and One Stop Centres (OSCs)*
- *Child Care Institutions (CCIs)*

SPECIAL SUPPORT SYSTEM

A Legal Services Unit for Children (LSUC) is established in every district, with:

- *Trained Panel Lawyers*
- *Trained Legal Aid Defense Counsels (LADCs)*
- *Trained Para Legal Volunteers (PLVs)*

REMEMBER

- ***Legal Services are Completely FREE.***
- ***Every child has the right to get Justice, Protection & Dignity.***
- ***No Child shall face Discrimination or Stigma.***
- ***Children shall be heard in a Safe and Supportive Environment.***
- ***Their Rights are not Negotiable.***

A Fresh Start, A Fair Voice, A Safe Future - For Every Child

For Legal aid | **Visit - https://nalsa.gov.in OR https://scourtapp.nic.in/lsams**

Call Legal Aid Helpline 15100 | **Visit Your Nearest SLSA / DLSA** | **Call Child Helpline 1098**

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